

CAMBRIDGE 2005

Resident Information



Traffic, Parking & Transportation Department
344 Broadway ♦ Cambridge, MA 02139



617.349.4700

www.cambridgema.gov/traffic



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The newly renovated City Hall Annex re-opened for business in February 2004 as the first municipally owned “green building”.

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The Department operates many of the City’s transportation services. It’s main responsibility is to ensure that the City’s street system is safe for vehicular and non-vehicular use – through parking regulations, parking meters, traffic signals, signs, crosswalks, bicycle facilities, and pavement markings. Associated with these activities, the Department issues Resident Parking Permits, enforces parking regulations, adjudicates parking tickets, performs and reviews traffic studies, and issues Street Obstruction and Street Closing permits. The Department operates two parking garages in Central Square and in East Cambridge.



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**DON'T GET CAUGHT
REMEMBER!**

- ➡ Street Cleaning is done once a month from April through December. Remember to check street signs and the Street Cleaning schedule on page 5.
- ➡ Snow plowing is done on major streets. Move your vehicle to avoid being towed during snow emergencies.
- ➡ Pay attention to emergency temporary “No Parking” signs.
- ➡ If you are going away, move your car off the street or leave your keys with a neighbor. Don’t get towed.
- ➡ Permitted residents may obtain temporary parking permits if their vehicle is being repaired.



Traffic, Parking And Transportation Department

Department Numbers

Main Number	617-349-4700
Fax Numbers (Administration).....	617-349-4747
Parking Services	617-349-4735
Street Obstruction Permits.....	617-349-4733
 Parking Ticket Information	617-349-4700
Parking Tickets "Pay by Phone".....	617-491-7277
Resident Permit Parking.....	617-349-4700
Street Closing/Obstruction Permits	617-349-4721
Traffic Signal/Signs Problem	617-349-4723
Winter Parking Ban.....	617-349-4700
TTY/TDD	617-349-4621

Important Numbers

City Council Office.....	617-349-4280
City Hall General Information.....	617-349-4000
City Manager's Office.....	617-349-4300
Comm. for Persons with Disabilities	617-349-4692
Emergency Police and Fire	911

Massachusetts Registry of Motors Vehicles ...	617-351-4500
Mayor's Office	617-349-4321
Public Works Department	
General Information	617-349-4800
Graffiti	617-349-INFO
Pothole/Sidewalk Defect.....	617-349-4854
Recycling Program.....	617-349-4005
Sewer Problems	617-349-4860/1
Un-shoveled Sidewalk	617-349-4903
Towed Vehicles.....	617-349-3300

Website www.cambridgema.gov/traffic

We would appreciate your comments and suggestions regarding information that should be included in this brochure by e-mail (parkingservices@cambridgema.gov) or letter.

Resident Parking Permit.

- ❖ Expires January 31st each year.
- ❖ Place on the lower left driver's side of rear window or left rear window.
- ❖ New registrations and new vehicles need new permits.
- ❖ Permits are good in Resident Parking throughout the City.
- ❖ Proof of residency is needed to obtain permit. See our website for details.
- ❖ Permitted residents are eligible for temporary permits in the event their vehicle needs repair.

Visitor Parking Permit

- ❖ Visitor Permits are for visitors only.
- ❖ Valid in your immediate area only (see map on back of permit).
- ❖ Place permit on dashboard face up.
- ❖ Rules on back of permit

Parking Tickets

- ❖ Pay On-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ Pay by Phone (617) 491-7277
- ❖ Pay by Mail
- ❖ Walk-in
- ❖ Make checks payable to the "City of Cambridge".
- ❖ All outstanding parking tickets must be paid to receive a RMV release form.

Parking Ticket Disputes

Complete a dispute form to contest ticket.

- ❖ On-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ By mail
- ❖ Walk-in

Vehicles will be towed for:

- ❖ Street cleaning
- ❖ Snow removal
- ❖ Emergency "No Parking" signs (installed at least 24 hrs in advance)

If towed call Cambridge Police, (617) 349-3300 to retrieve vehicle

Booted Vehicles

- ❖ 5 or more overdue parking tickets
- ❖ No personal checks accepted
- ❖ See website, www.cambridgema.gov/traffic, for further information

Consideration

Granted when a resident has a gathering with guests from outside the City.

Apply:

- ❖ On-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ By mail
- ❖ Walk-in
- ❖ By fax (617) 349-4735

City Traffic, Parking & Transportation Regulations

- ❖ On-line (PDF) www.cambridgema.gov/traffic
- ❖ Traffic Dept., 344 Broadway for \$5.00



Disability Parking Space sign

- ❖ Doctor's Letter
- ❖ No off street parking available
- ❖ Resident Permit Parking areas only
- ❖ Application available on-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ Application available from Traffic Dept. (617) 349-4711

Commercial Loading Zones

- ❖ Expeditious unloading, delivering or pick-up of materials.
- ❖ Application available on-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ Application available from Traffic Dept. (617) 349-4723

Driveway

- ❖ Property owner may request enforcement when blocked
- ❖ Use your driveway and leave on street spaces for residents without a driveway.

City of Cambridge's 2 municipal garages

- ❖ East Cambridge Garage on First Street
- ❖ Green St.– Franklin St. Garage

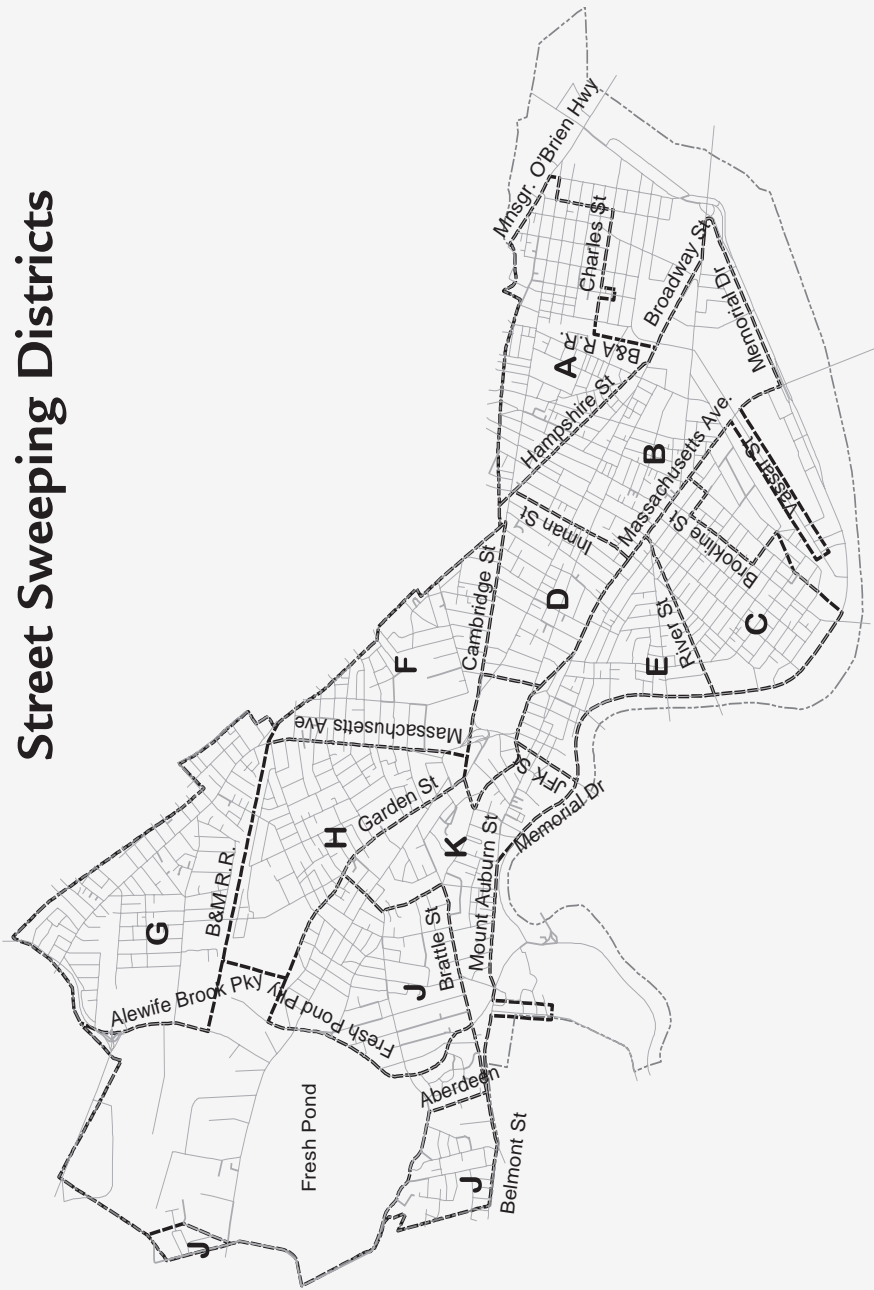
2005 STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

DISTRICT	SIDE	DAY	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
A	ODD	1st Wed	6	4	1	6	3	7	5	2	7
A	EVEN	1st Thur	7	5	2	7	4	1	6	3	1
B	ODD	1st Mon	4	2	6	29-Jun	1	29-Aug	3	7	5
B	EVEN	1st Tues	5	3	7	5	2	6	4	1	6
C	ODD	1st Fri	1	6	3	1	5	2	7	4	2
C	EVEN	2nd Mon	11	9	13	11	8	12	30-Sep	14	12
D	ODD	2nd Tues	12	10	14	12	9	13	11	8	13
D	EVEN	2nd Wed	13	11	8	13	10	14	12	9	14
E	ODD	2nd Thur	14	12	9	14	11	8	13	10	8
E	EVEN	2nd Fri	8	13	10	8	12	9	14	31-Oct	9
F	ODD	3rd Mon	29-Apr	16	20	18	15	19	17	21	19
F	EVEN	3rd Tues	19	17	21	19	16	20	18	15	20
G	ODD	3rd Wed	20	18	15	20	17	21	19	16	21
G	EVEN	3rd Thur	21	19	16	21	18	15	20	17	15
H	ODD	3rd Fri	15	20	17	15	19	16	21	18	16
H	EVEN	4th Mon	25	23	27	25	22	26	24	28	30-Dec
J	ODD	4th Tues	26	24	28	26	23	27	25	22	27
J	EVEN	4th Wed	27	25	22	27	24	28	26	23	28
K	ODD	4th Thur	28	26	23	28	25	22	27	29-Nov	22
K	EVEN	4th Fri	22	27	24	22	26	23	28	30-Nov	29-Dec

Please Note:

Street sweeping will NOT occur on the following 9 holidays: April 18th, July 4th, Sept. 5th, Oct. 10th, Nov. 24th, Nov. 25th, Dec. 26th & Dec. 30th. Replacement days are shown above and will be posted with paper signs.

Street Sweeping Districts



Street Obstruction Permits authorize temporary parking on the street for a special purpose. The permit overrides the existing regulations on the street.

Applications available on-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)

- ❖ Block Party
- ❖ Dumpster
- ❖ Moving Crate
- ❖ Moving Van
- ❖ Tool Truck

Permits

Frequently
Asked
Questions

City Winter Parking Ban

- ❖ No Parking during declared snow emergency where signed.
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4700 for snow emergency information
- ❖ Check City Homepage www.cambridgema.gov

Homeowner's responsibilities when it snows

- ❖ Clear sidewalk of snow and ice
- ❖ Dig out fire hydrants
- ❖ Dig out catch basins
- ❖ Check DPW website for further info www.cambridgema.gov/TheWorks

Contact
Us

Traffic Signal Problems

- ❖ Fill out PDF form on Traffic Dept. Website
- ❖ E-mail TPSignalinquiries@cambridgema.gov
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4715

Traffic or Parking Sign Problems

- ❖ Fill out PDF form on Traffic Dept. Website
- ❖ E-mail TPSigninquiries@cambridgema.gov
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4723

Parking Consideration for Guests

- ❖ Fill out PDF form on Traffic Dept. Website
- ❖ E-mail TPConsideration@cambridgema.gov
- ❖ Fax (617) 349-4735
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4714

Enforcement requested

- ❖ Call the Parking enforcement Coordinator at (617) 349-4714

TRAFFIC, PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

SUSAN E. CLIPPINGER, Director

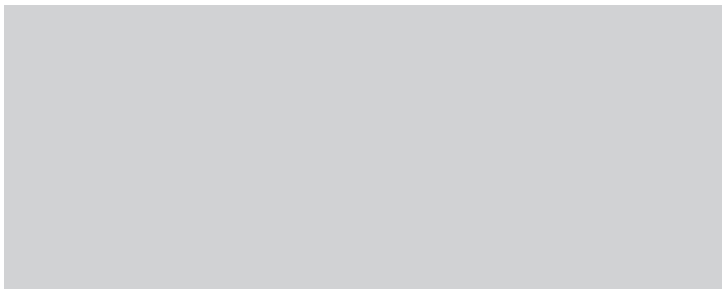
BRAD GERRATT, Deputy Director

KEY TRAFFIC, PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT STAFF

LENORE LAWRENCE	Parking Services Coordinator
WAYNE AMARAL	Traffic Operations
STEPHEN LA ROSA	Parking Enforcement Coordinator
JEFF PARENTI	Traffic Engineer
ALBANO REGO	Fiscal Manager
JASON SCHRIEBER	Transportation Planner



- Peel and apply decal to bottom of
- Exterior mirror on driver's side.
- Or
- Rearview mirror





Winter-Bicycles in Harvard Yard
Submitted by Ben Jackson



Spring on the Charles
Submitted by Edmund Wong



Summer in the Cambridge Common
Submitted by Paul Crawford



Autumn Fresh Pond Golf Course
Submitted by Alan Dyson